

AMENDMENTS ON CLAIMS

Herein below is a list of 'new words added' and 'words added for typographical errors' in the amendments on claims, for easy references :

| <u>Claim #</u> | <u>New words</u>                      | <u>For Typographical errors</u>                        |
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| 1              | enabling, uses, wherein said, enables | used, an, the  |
| 2              | will be                               |  |
| 3              | not enable                            | or   |
| 4              | includes                              |  |
| 5              | includes                              |  |
| 6              | enabling                              | other  |
| 7              |                                       | encrypted, entered                                     |
| 8              | ( This claim is being withdrawn )     |  |
| 9              | for indicating an valid, exists       | therein  |
| 10             | not enable                            | said, therein, an, said, an,<br>software, the, therein |
| 11             | not enable the                        | comprising, with, software                             |
| 12             | comprising, program                   | used, an   |
| 13             | for indicating a valid, exists        | therein  |
| 14             | enabling                              | 13, said, therein, an, said,<br>an, therein            |
| 15             | valid, which being                    | 13, further comprising, with, the                      |
| 17             | enabling, uses, by, exists in         | used, an, encryption, an                               |
| 18             | enable                                |  |
| 19             | for indicating a valid, exists        | therein  |
| 20             | not enable                            | 19, said, therein, an, said,<br>an, software, therein  |
| 21             | not enable                            | 19, comprising, with, software                         |

Sub B' → 1.(First time amended) Software [means] for use on a computer for [restricting] enabling other software to be [use] used on said computer [only] , said computer [comprises] uses a [software] means for providing an encrypted identity of its user to a remote computer [,] for a secure operation , [on a user's account which being under] [the control of said remote computer, comprising :]

[ software means for ascertaining said software means for providing being] [present on said computer ;]

2 wherein said software [means for inhibiting] enables the use of said other software on said computer if said [software] means for providing is [not] present on said computer.

2. (First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 1, wherein [further] comprising [software] means for determining data integrity of said [software] means for providing and if the determination is unfavourable, said means for providing [is] will be regarded as not present.

3. (First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 1, wherein [further] comprising [software] means for authenticating said computer, comprises a stored information of configuration of said computer and means for determining configuration of said computer and means for comparing the determined result with said stored information, and if said [software] means for providing is not present on said computer [and] or the comparison result is unfavourable, said software [means for inhibiting] will [inhibit] not enable the use of said other software on said computer.

4. (First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 3, wherein said configuration of said computer [being] includes the hardware configuration thereof.

5.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 3, wherein said configuration of said computer [being] includes the software configuration thereof.

6.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 3, wherein further comprising a method, comprises the steps of :

receiving an encrypted command from said remote computer ;

authenticating said encrypted command ;

determining the hardware or software or both configuration of said computer;

storing the determined configuration if the authentication result of said authenticating step is favourable ;

thereafter, determining at least a part of the configuration of a computer on which said software [means] runs ;

comparing said at least a part of configuration determined with the corresponding part in said stored configuration ;

[causing] enabling the use of said other software [be inhibited] if the comparison result is [not] favourable.

7.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 6, wherein said [encrypted] encrypted command is being [entered] entered into said computer by the computer user who receives it from said remote computer through telephone line.

Sub B<sup>2</sup> → 9.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 1, wherein [each one of] said other software [means] comprises an information [for indicating it being a software supplied by said remote computer] stored at a first predetermined location therein [and] for indicating an valid [an] identity of its rightful user exists at a second predetermined location therein ; and an encrypted identity of its rightful user at a respective location therein , and [each of] said other software will fail to operate if said information therein being altered or said identity therein and said encrypted identity therein being inconsistent.

A<sub>3</sub> 10.(First time Amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 9, [wherein] said software [means for inhibiting] also comprises said information at [a] said first predetermined location therein and [said] an identity of its rightful user at [a] said second predetermined location therein and [said] an encrypted identity of its rightful user [at a respective location] therein and said software [means for inhibiting] will [inhibit] not enable the use of said other software on said computer if said information therein being altered or said identity therein and said encrypted identity therein being inconsistent.

11.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 9, wherein [said software means for inhibiting comprises] comprising an encrypted identity of its rightful user [therein] and [wherein] if [one of] said other software stored in said computer has a user identity not consistent [to] with said encrypted identity in said [means for inhibiting] software, said software [means for inhibiting] will [inhibit] not enable the use of [at least one of said other software including said one of] said other software.

12.(First time amended) Software [means] for use on a computer for restricting other software to be [use] used on said computer only, [said computer comprises] comprising: [a software] means for providing an encrypted identity of its user to a remote computer [,] for a secure operation ; [on a user's account which being under] [the control of said remote computer, comprising :]

[ said software means for providing ;]

[software] means for enabling the use of said other software on said computer ;  
Wherein said [software] means for providing and said [software] means for enabling are contained in a [single] software program so as for preventing said [software] means for enabling from being copied individually.

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13.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 12, wherein [each one of] said other software [means] comprises an information [for indicating it being a software supplied by said remote computer] stored at a first predetermined location therein [and] for indicating a valid [an] identity of its rightful user exists at a second predetermined location therein ; and an encrypted identity of its rightful user at a respective location therein , and [each of] said other software will fail to operate if said information therein being altered or said identity therein and said encrypted identity therein being inconsistent.

14.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim [12] 13, wherein said [software] means for [inhibiting] enabling also comprises said information at [a] said first predetermined location therein and [said] an identity of its rightful user at [a] said second predetermined location therein and [said] an encrypted identity of its rightful user [at a respective location] therein and said means for enabling will not operate if said information therein being altered or said identity therein and said encrypted identity therein being inconsistent.

15.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim [12] 13, wherein [said software means for inhibiting comprises] further comprising an encrypted identity of its rightful user [therein] and [wherein] if [one of] said other software stored in said computer has a valid user identity which being not consistent [to] with said encrypted identity in said software [means for inhibiting] , said [software] means for enabling will not enable the use of [at least one of said other software including said one of] said other software.

16.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 12, wherein further comprising [software] means for authenticating said computer, comprises a stored configuration information of said computer and means for determining configuration of said computer and means for comparing the determined result with said stored information, and if the comparison result is unfavourable, said [software] means for enabling will not enable the use of said other software on said computer.

17.(First time amended) Software [means] for use on a computer for [restricting] enabling other software to be [use] used on said computer [only] , said computer [comprises] uses a [software] means for providing an encrypted identity of its user to a remote computer [,] for a secure operation , [on a user's account which being] [under the control of said remote computer, comprising : ]  
[ software means for providing encrypted commands for causing said other]  
[software to operate or not to operate on said computer ; ]

wherein a same [encryption] encryption algorithm is [being] used [in] by said [software] means for providing an encrypted identity and exists in said software [means for providing encrypted commands] .

18.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 17, wherein [further] comprising [software] means for authenticating said computer, comprises a stored configuration information of said computer and means for determining configuration of said computer and means for comparing the determined result with said stored information, and if the comparison result is unfavourable, said software [means for providing encrypted commands] will not [provide commands to] enable said other software [so as for causing said other software not to operate on said computer] .

19.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim 17, wherein [each one of] said other software [means] comprises an information [for indicating it being a software supplied by said remote computer] stored at a first predetermined location therein [and] for indicating a valid [an] identity of its rightful user exists at a second predetermined location therein ; and an encrypted identity of its rightful user at a respective location therein , and [each of] said other software will fail to operate if said information therein being altered or said identity therein and said encrypted identity therein being inconsistent.

20.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim [17] 19, [wherein] said software [means for inhibiting] also comprises said information at [a] said first predetermined location therein and [said] an identity of its rightful user at [a] said second predetermined location therein and [said] an encrypted identity of its rightful user [at a respective location] therein and said software [means for providing] will [cause] not enable said other software [not to operate on said computer] if said information therein being altered or said identity therein and said encrypted identity therein being inconsistent.

21.(First time amended) Software [means] as claimed in claim [17] 19, wherein [said software means for inhibiting comprises] comprising an encrypted identity of its rightful user [therein] and [wherein] if [one of] said other software stored in said computer has a user identity not consistent [to] with said encrypted identity in said software [means for inhibiting], said software [means for providing] will [cause] not enable [at least one of said other software not to operate on said computer, including said one of] said other software.

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